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DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING)
METHOD THEREOF) September 10, 2008

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document that is not a U.S. patent document has been submitted herewith.

Please note that JP 53-122316 is in the same patent family as U.S. Patent No. 4,148,048, and was brought to Applicants' attention in a communication dated July 25, 2008, from the Japanese Patent Office in connection with a counterpart Japanese patent application.

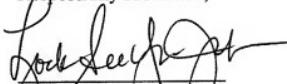
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The Examiner is requested to consider the documents and to return an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the documents have been considered.

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